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House Resolution 425

By: Representative Benfield of the 85<sup>th</sup>

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Honoring Ann Brown and the Belvedere Civic Club; and for other purposes.
- 2 WHEREAS, located in the heart of DeKalb County, Georgia, Belvedere Park is a vibrant
- 3 community with an extraordinary spirit of civic pride which has united its residents in their
- 4 efforts to build a stronger and safer neighborhood; and
- 5 WHEREAS, the Belvedere Civic Club, one of DeKalb County's oldest neighborhood groups,
- 6 has worked continuously since 1956 toward the goal of making Belvedere Park a safer and
- 7 cleaner environment for each of its residents to enjoy; and
- 8 WHEREAS, this organization also provides a forum for residents to express their concerns
- 9 to local government officials and their fellow neighbors; and
- 10 WHEREAS, Ms. Ann Brown was elected to serve as president of the Belvedere Civic Club
- in 2002, and, since that time, she has helped to increase membership, organize committees
- 12 and hold them accountable for reaching specific goals, and established a productive
- 13 partnership with elected officials and the police department; and
- 14 WHEREAS, through the hard work and determination of the citizens of Belvedere Park, in
- 15 cooperation with local law enforcement officials, drug houses and other undesirable
- 16 residences and businesses in the area, including the strip club known as Jazzy T's, were
- 17 identified and eliminated; and
- 18 WHEREAS, their advocacy saved the 24 Belvedere bus route, which MARTA had proposed
- 19 eliminating; and
- 20 WHEREAS, the achievements of the Belvedere Civic Club demonstrate the profound impact
- 21 that neighborhood organizations can make toward promoting, maintaining, and enhancing
- 22 the quality of life in their communities.

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 $1\quad NOW, THEREFORE, BE\,IT\,RESOLVED\,BY\,THE\,HOUSE\,OF\,REPRESENTATIVES\,that$ 

- 2 the members of this body join in honoring the exemplary work of the Belvedere Civic Club
- 3 and its outstanding president, Ms. Ann Brown, and extend their sincere best wishes for this
- 4 organization's continued growth and success.
- 5 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 6 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Ms. Ann Brown, president
- 7 of the Belvedere Civic Club.